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SOYBEAN INSPECTIONS INCREASE IN MARCH

Inspected receipts of soybeans in March showed considerable increase over those for the preceding month, according to inspectors' reports to the Grain Branch of the Production and Marketing Administration. March inspections totaled 4,172 cars compared with 2,681 cars in February and the March average of 4,701 cars for the crop years 1940-45. Inspected receipts for October-March this season were 69,417 cars compared with 71,751 cars for the same period last year.

The quality of the soybeans inspected in March was somewhat higher than for the preceding month, 64 percent grading No. 2 or better compared with 58 percent in February. Of the October-March receipts this year 69 percent graded No. 2 or better compared with 92 percent last season.

Inspections of soybeans in March included the equivalent of 5 cars inspected as cargo lots and truck receipts equal to about 125 cars.

Soybeans: Inspected receipts, March 1947, in carlots 1/

Class	Grade					Total March 1947	Total Oct. 1, 1946- Mar. 31, 1947
	:	No.1	:	No.2	:		
	No.3	:	No.4	:	Sample		
Yellow	:	947	1,680	923	421	102	4,073
Green	:	-	1	1	-	-	2
Brown	:	11	6	5	1	-	23
Black	:	9	17	4	2	1	33
Mixed	:	6	21	5	8	1	41
Total cars	:	973	1,725	938	432	104	4,172
Percentages	:	23	41	23	10	3	100
October-March Cars	:	18,334	29,593	16,460	4,361	669	69,417
1946-47 Percentages	:	26	43	24	6	1	100
October-March Cars	:	51,491	14,374	4,385	1,115	386	71,751
1945-46 Percentages	:	72	20	6	2	0	100

1/ Cargo and truck receipts converted to carlots on basis of 1,650 bushels equal 1 carlot.

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